

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A transport disc for an opening device of a printed sheet feeder, the transport disc configured to be arranged on a first opening drum of the opening device, the transport disc comprising:

at least one outer elastic support, wherein the outer elastic support is configured to cooperate with a securing disc of a second opening drum of the opening device to clamp an individual printed sheet between the outer elastic support and the securing disc for transporting the individual printed sheet to a transport device,

wherein the outer elastic support is a rubber-elastic segment body extending in a circumferential direction of the transport disc, and

wherein the rubber-elastic segment body is comprised of an outer bearing layer and a compensation area positioned

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radially inwardly underneath the outer bearing layer, wherein the compensation area is radially yielding and supports the outer bearing layer, the compensation area being more elastic in the radial direction than the outer bearing layer, the compensation area having a plurality of stays each having a first end connected to the outer bearing layer and each having a second end positioned radially inwardly of the respective first end, the stays being formed as ledges or lamellas, the stays being positioned at a slant to a radial line extending in a radial direction from the first end to a center of the transport disc, respectively.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Original) The transport disc according to claim 1, wherein the compensation area has a radial compression area having a radial thickness matching at least substantially a radial thickness of the outer bearing layer.

4. (Original) The transport disc according to claim 3, further comprising a disc body, wherein the outer elastic support further comprises an inner layer positioned radially inwardly of the

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compensation area, wherein the inner layer comprises means for fastening the outer elastic support to the disc body.

5. (Canceled)

6. (Previously presented) The transport disc according to claim 1, wherein the rubber-elastic segment body is made of polyurethane.

7. (Original) The transport disc according to claim 6, wherein the polyurethane is castable.

8. (Previously presented) The transport disc according to claim 1, further comprising a disc body, wherein the rubber-elastic segment body is configured to be fixedly connected to the disc body.

9-11. (Canceled)

12. (Original) The transport disc according to claim 1, wherein the outer elastic support is made of a rubber-elastic plastic material.

13-14. (Canceled)

15. (Original) The transport disc according to claim 1,
further comprising a disc body, wherein the outer elastic support
is configured to be detachably connected to the disc body.

16. (Original) The transport disc according to claim 15,
wherein the outer elastic support is connected to the disc body
by screws.

17. (Original) The transport disc according to claim 1,
wherein the printed sheet feeder is a gather-stitcher feeder and
the transport disc is connected to a shaft of the first opening
drum.
